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## "THE DIXIE ROUTE."

### Surveyors Busy. Work on Grade Begun. Neice of Chief Engineer Turns First Earth.

After a wait of 40 years work has been started on a railroad that will open up the resources of Iron and Washington counties.

The Utah & Grand Canyon Railroad company began operations last Tuesday on the grade. Miss Flaybarty neice of the Chief Engineer having the honor of turning the first earth for same. She held the plow and at the same time christened the route "The Dixie Route."

A Record reporter in conversation with Mr. H. L. Weber was informed that all possible speed would be used in the construction of the road and that it was the wish of the company to hire all the Iron and Washington County people that could be had. The wages to be paid per day will be \$4.50 for man and team, and \$2.50 for single handed men, the men to board themselves and feed their teams.

Work of grading will be pushed in three directions; from Lund east, from Iron Springs west, and south. There is a full force of surveyors in field, cross sectioning, and they will be able to keep sufficiently far in lead of the graders as to keep the work going at a lively clip. The personal of the surveyors is as follows: H. L. Weber, chief engineer, Geo. Schilling, Edwin Kell, Ray

Lounchar, William J. and others. Over the line, the first to be seen is the telegraph operator. The regulation of traffic and the safety of many thousands of lives both depend upon the dispatcher, who must work hard and think quickly while the messages pour in and out of his little office. Until very recently the telegraph key was always at the hand of the dispatcher.

But in the past few years all this has been changed. Railroad managers have turned to the telephone for this work because of its economy, safety and convenience. To the most inexperienced layman it will become evident that a spoken message is likely to be of greater value than one translated into dots and dashes.

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The scheme permits of the installation of siding telephones at water tanks, drawbridges, siding, shops, round-houses and other such places along the line, so that train crews and others can get into direct communication with the dispatcher at all these points. In addition, portable telephone sets are coming into exten-

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Mr. Weber stated that he had found that a large number of the people were as yet skeptical about the road being built, but he wishes it understood that it will go through, and that if there are not sufficient men and teams in Iron and Washington Counties to do the work plenty can be had from elsewhere. He stated also that payment for work would be made every Saturday, so that those who work can rest assured that they will not have to work long for pay day.

It is learned from good authority that if nothing unforeseen happens cars will be running between Lund and Iron Springs within ninety days.

In the mean time, every effort is being made to secure sufficient workmen and teams to carry on the work without hitch, and several are now on the ground.

"All things come to those who wait," and as the people have certainly waited, it now begins to look as though Iron and Washington counties will come into their own.

Anyone desiring information concerning the railroad can secure same by applying to Mr. Weber, whose headquarters are located in the building, up stairs. He will be too pleased to give any information.

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## The Stake Conference.

The Quarterly Conference of the Parowan Stake of Zion was held in Cedar City last Saturday and Sunday, and notwithstanding the absence of any of the general authorities a very satisfactory series of meetings were held.

Presidents Marsden and William H. Lyman of the stake presidency were present, and the most of the bishops of the wards of the stake, and also a large attendance of the members of the High Council, and a very strong representation of the authorities of all the auxiliary organizations.

It had been confidently expected that at least one of the twelve apostles would be present, and some other of the general church leaders, and that the resignation of Bishop Henry W. Lunt that had been offered would be acted upon, but owing to the inability of any of the apostles to be present, no action was taken along this line.

In presenting the condition of the stake, President Marsden said that all the organizations and quorums of the church in his jurisdiction are in good condition, and that he was pleased to be able to report an improvement was being made in religious matters; especially was this the case in the interest that was being taken in the case of the young people. President Lyman followed with a corroboration of what President Marsden had said.

Bishop L. W. Jones of Cedar West Ward, reported an improvement in his ward since the last conference.

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visit which he had made to California he had been greatly impressed by the very good conditions which he saw there as shown in their efficient management of their farms and gardens, their good roads, and also in the exhibition of temperance which he had witnessed. In a city of fourteen and fifteen thousand inhabitants he had seen no drunken people, and no saloons. And he thought he might with profit emulate their good example.

Counsellor A. G. Matheson of Cedar East Ward reported that ward as containing a class of very good people, and also some who were not so good, but who were fault finders and neglectful of duty and the requirements of their religion, but was pleased to be able to say that this class was in the minority. All the organizations are in good working order.

President Rebecca Anderson reported the Stake Primary Associations as being in working order and doing a good work, but that there are some hundreds of children of primary age that are not enrolled. The enrolled members numbers about nine hundred in the stake. Asked the parents to visit the meetings of the primaries and see what is being taught to their children.

#### SUNDAY MORNING.

Conjoint Sabbath School and Conference. Elder Uriah T. Jones addressed the assembly on the topic of love, stating that love brought joy and happiness, whereas hate brings misery and crime. The mission of the Saviour was one of love, his crucifixion was an exhibition of the

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Elder William H. Corry said the prayer of the righteous availeth much. Prayer to be effective must be under proper conditions. It is said that we are getting better. If we have been getting better ever since he had first claim made we ought to be in Paradise at least if not in the Celestial Kingdom.

President Marsden said he would like the home missionaries to be more diligent in filling their missionary appointments, and in case that they could not do so, they should notify the Stake President.

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